

"FAIR HOUSING: IT'S NOT AN OPTION; IT'S THE LAW"

Be your own best advocate

YOUR RIGHTS:

- You have the right not to be discriminated against because of disability, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, or if you are pregnant or have a child.
- You have the right to be told the truth about which homes are vacant.
- You have the right to live anywhere you choose as long as you can afford the housing.
- You have the right to advocate for your rights without fear of abuse.
- You have the right to ask for changes, called accommodations, if they are related to your disability and they would help you live in your own home.
- You have the right to your privacy when it comes to your disability.

ADVOCACY STEPS:

- Try to talk to the person who may be violating your rights.
- Try to work out the situation when it occurs.
- See if that person is willing to make changes to help you.
- File a Fair Housing Complaint.

WANT TO TALK TO SOMEONE – CALL:

- Virginia Fair Housing Office Toll-Free (888) 551-3247
- Department of Housing and Urban Development Toll-Free (800) 669-9777
- Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy Toll-Free (800) 552-3962

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